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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Hirokazu NARITA *et al.*)
Application No.: 10/590,799) Group Art Unit: 1754
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National Stage Application of PCT/JP2005/002855) **MAIL STOP PCT**
For: EXTRACTANT FOR PALLADIUM)
AND METHOD FOR SEPARATION)
AND RECOVERY OF PALLADIUM)

Commissioner for Patents
MAIL STOP PCT
Alexandria, VA 22314

Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the examination of the above-identified application on the merits, please amend
the application as follows: